

Ms. Marlene Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Via Electronic Filing and  
United States Mail**

**Re: CC Docket 00-257; Section 64.1120(e)**

**Notification for Hiawatha Telephone Company and Chippewa County  
Telephone Company**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As required by 47 CFR 64.1120, Hiawatha Telephone Company ("HTC") and Chippewa County Telephone Company ("CCTC"), submit this correspondence to notify the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") of a planned transfer of CCTC customers to HTC. The affected customers are located in CCTC's Brimley telephone exchange, which is located in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

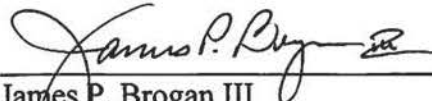
HTC and CCTC are affiliates; each is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hiawatha Communications, Inc. ("HCI"). CCTC is scheduled to merge into HTC, with HTC being the surviving entity, at 11:59 pm on December 31, 2014. There will be no change in the actual controlling entity with respect to the services and lines at issue as a result of the merger because both companies have the same parent company (*i.e.*, HCI). The merger is therefore a "pro forma" transaction because the transfer of control will not result in a change in the actual controlling party. No prior approval is required for pro forma transactions under 47 CFR 63.03(d).

1. **Names of Parties to Transaction:** Hiawatha Telephone Company and Chippewa County Telephone Company.
2. **Type of Telecommunications Service Provided to Affected Customers:** Chippewa County Telephone Company currently provides basic local exchange service, as well as broadband services, to residence and business customers located in the Brimley telephone exchange located in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Hiawatha Telephone Company will take over as the provider of these services to all customers in the Brimley exchange.
3. **Date of the Transfer:** The planned transfer date is January 1, 2015.
4. **Notice Sent to Affected Customers:** Customer notification letters were sent to impacted customers via United States Mail on November 24, 2014. A copy of the notice is attached.

5. **Certification of Compliance:** HTC and CCTC hereby certify compliance with the requirement to provide advance subscriber notice, in accordance with 47 CFR 64.1120(e)(3) and with the obligations specified in that notice. HTC and CCTC have also complied with the other statutory and Commission requirements that apply to this streamlined process.

If you have any questions concerning this notification, please contact me at 906-387-9911.

Hiawatha Telephone Company &  
Chippewa County Telephone Company



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11/25/2014

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Date

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## HIAWATHA TELEPHONE COMPANY

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Dear Valued Customer,

Hiawatha Telephone Company ("HTC") is pleased to announce that it will soon become your provider of telephone, telecommunications, and broadband services. This change is the result of a merger between HTC and your current provider, Chippewa County Telephone Company ("CCTC"). Both HTC and CCTC are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Hiawatha Communications, Inc., which is located in Munising Michigan.

The merger is scheduled for December 31, 2014 at 11:59 pm. Assuming receipt of regulatory approvals, on January 1, 2015, HTC will become your provider for all the services that you currently receive from CCTC. Following the merger, you will receive the same high-quality services, from the same CCTC personnel and facilities that currently provide your service, and the Brimley customer service office will continue to handle your customer service needs.

No action is necessary on your part, and you will not incur any carrier change charges as a result of this merger. The continuation of support and services during the transition period will be seamless. The rates for the service that you currently receive will remain unchanged on your first billing from HTC, and terms and conditions of service will be those contained in HTC's service tariffs. HTC will inform you of any changes to its rates, terms or conditions via bill notices and tariff revisions. HTC's continuing mission will be to provide the highest quality service and support to you now and into the future.

You have the right to choose a telecommunications service provider other than HTC if you wish (if an alternative carrier is available). All CCTC customers, even those who have arranged preferred carrier freezes, will become HTC customers after the merger, unless you have selected a different provider before the merger date. Note that any restrictions or "freezes" you may have placed on your account to block changes to your preferred local service provider will be lifted as part of the transfer process. If you wish to reinstate such restrictions, please contact HTC after the merger.

HTC can answer all of your questions and comments, and invites you to call us toll free at (800) 562-9741 or (906) 387-9911. After the merger, HTC will be responsible for handling complaints filed, or otherwise raised, prior to or during the transition from CCTC to HTC as your service provider. To the extent that you have any service or billing issues prior to the merger, please contact CCTC at (906) 248-3211.

Respectfully,  
Hiawatha Telephone Company &  
Chippewa County Telephone Company

James P. Brogan III  
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